

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 047774

42

ORIGIN EUR-03

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /004 R

DRAFTED BY:EUR/RPM:JJMARESCA
APPROVED BY:EUR/RPM:HAHOLMES
----- 040399

R 271440Z FEB 76

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO USMISSION GENEVA

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 047774

FOLLOWING SENT ACTION TO SECSTATE INFO MOSCOW EC BRUSSELS
LUXEMBOURG FEB 21, 1976 FROM ROME

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L ROME 2812

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: FPRO, IT, CSCE, XG

SUBJECT: CSCE FOLLOW-UP

1. THE CHIEF OF THE USSR AND EASTERN EUROPE MULTILATERAL
OFFICE OF THE MFA'S POLITICAL DIRECTORATE (ROBERTO FRANCESCHI)
REQUESTED EMBOFF TO CALL AT MINISTRY FEB 20 FOR A DISCUSSION
OF CSCE FOLLOW UP RELATED MATTERS. SPECIFICALLY, THE ITAL-
IANS ARE CONSIDERING THE MANNER IN WHICH THE WESTERN COUNTRIES
SHOULD REPLY TO BREZHNEV'S PROPOSAL FOR CONFERENCES ON
ENERGY, TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT AND HAVE SUGGESTED THAT
THE MATTER BE PUT ON THE AGENDA OF THE EEC'S NEXT CSCE WORKING
GROUP MEETING TO BE HELD IN LUXEMBOURG NEXT WEEK. WHILE THE
ITALIAN THINKING REMAINS IN A PRELIMINARY PHASE, THEY ARE
FORMULATING A POSITION IN OPPOSITION TO THE BREZHEV PROPOSAL.
FRANCESCHI EXPRESSED HIS OPINION THAT THE OTHER MEMBERS
OF THE NINE SHARE THIS POSITION TO ONE DEGREE OR ANOTHER
WITH THE FRENCH THE MOST VIGOROUSLY OPPOSED TO THE BREZHNEV
INITIATIVE. AT THE SAME TIME THE ITALIANS ARE CONCERNED THAT
THE WESTERN COUNTRIES NOT FIND THEMSELVES IN A DIFFICULT
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 047774

DEFENSIVE POSITION AS THE SOVIETS AND THEIR ALLIES GO ONTO A

WELL-COORDINATED DEFENSIVE ON CSCE RELATED MATTERS.

2. FRANCESCHI ALSO REPORTED RECEIVING A TELEGRAM FROM THE ITALIAN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW INDICATING THAT RUMORS ARE CIRCULATING THERE TO THE EFFECT THAT THE SOVIETS ARE THINKING OF ASKING FOR A DELAY IN THE CSCE FOLLOW-UP MEETING SCHEDULED FOR BELGRADE IN 1977.

3. IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FROM FRANCESCHI, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING BY OPENING OF BUSINESS FEBRUARY 24 CURRENT WASHINGTON THINKING CONCERNING THE BREZHNEV PROPOSAL, AND ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE SOVIETS ARE LOBBYING FOR IT EITHER IN WASHINGTON OR ELSEWHERE. (FRANCESCHI INDICATES THAT THE SOVIET EMBASSY IS PARTICULARLY ACTIVE HERE IN THIS REGARD.) ADDITIONALLY, ANY LIGHT WE CAN SHED ON THE RUMORS THE ITALIAN EMBASSY HAS PICKED UP IN MOSCOW WOULD ALSO BE APPRECIATED. VOLPE UNQUOTE KISSINGER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 27 FEB 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: ShawDG
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976STATE047774
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: EUR/RPM:JJMARESCA
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760074-0959
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t1976024/aaaaacpp.tel
Line Count: 78
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ORIGIN EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ShawDG
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 31 MAR 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <31 MAR 2004 by ElyME>; APPROVED <29 JUL 2004 by ShawDG>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: CSCE FOLLOW-UP
TAGS: PFOR, OCON, IT, XG, US, CSCE, (FRANCESCHI, ROBERTO)
To: GENEVA
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006